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To: FCC

From: Marcus Bonn KE7BAA

Re: WT Docket 05-235

Morse Code Requirement Abolition

Dear Sirs,

I absolutely support the deletion of the morse code proficiency requirement for Technician and General Class Amateur Radio licensing. It could be kept for the time being for Amateur Extra Class. Then even that should be reviewed in the next few years.

Recent technology has provided us with Packet, Slow Scan TV, Internet and a host of other HAM communication methods. Retaining the old barrier of Morse Code proficiency robs the country of far too many eager individuals who can support all the community activities of U.S. HAM radio.

Please at least delete the morse code requirement for General Class HAM licensing. It is not necessary for this millennium's technology and only serves to hinder future healthy amateur radio growth.

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